



# SUPPORT

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Here we are in July, still adapting and living into the realities of being church amid the coronavirus pandemic. Some ELCA congregations continue to worship remotely while others have introduced drive-in services. ELCA synods have introduced new virtual events gathering members for vital enrichment.

And while operations don't look the same as last summer, as Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton says, the church has not been closed.

In the face of great challenges, congregations, synods and the churchwide organization innovated, continuing our collective ministry.

As the Mission Support team looks back on the last few months and forward into the rest of 2020, we can't help but feel immense gratitude for the ways in which we've been church together, especially through the sharing of Mission Support. We would like to express that gratitude to you through this [video](#).

Will you share this video with your synod staff, synod leadership and synod council? We'd love for them to receive this message and our gratitude for their continued generosity.

Finally, please know that the Mission Support team continues to be here for you to listen, dream and plan. We're always an email, phone call or Zoom meeting away. We pray that you stay safe and healthy and that your ministry continues to shine the love of Christ into the world.

In gratitude,

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P.S. We'd love to hear from you!

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